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In re Applicant:

GLOVER, JOHN N.

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Application No.: 09/320, 950

For: FILTERING MEDIUM AND

METHOD FOR CONTACTING SOLIDS CONTAINING FEEDS FOR CHEMICAL

**REACTORS** 

Art Unit: 1723

THE CEIVEL Examiner: David L. Sorkin

Docket No.: 2797.004

## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 8, 2001, Applicant files the following Amendment and Response. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 46 as follows:

46. (Twice Amended) A method of fluid distribution in a chemical reactor comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a layer of ceramic filter units, at least some of the ceramic filter units having more than two openings extending therethrough, and at least some of the